

# Wisconsin, U.S. Egg Production Up

Egg production in Wisconsin totaled 1.32 billion eggs for the year ending November 30, 2005. This was up 10 percent from the 1.21 billion eggs produced in 2004. Wisconsin's average number of layers in 2005 totaled 4.86 million, a 7 percent increase from 2004. The number of eggs per layer in Wisconsin during 2005 was 272 eggs, 4 percent greater than the national average.

U.S. egg production rose to a record high of 90.0 billion eggs for the year ending November 30, 2005. This was a 1 percent increase from 2004. The average number of layers in the U.S. during 2005 was 344 million, up slightly from the year earlier.

Egg Production 1/

State	Average number of layers		Eggs per layer 2/		Total egg production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	Thousand		Number		Millions	
WISCONSIN	4,534	4,864	266	272	1,206	1,321
California	20,222	19,336	265	263	5,352	5,082
Georgia	20,323	19,489	248	249	5,038	4,850
Illinois	4,004	4,434	261	273	1,044	1,210
Indiana	23,532	23,596	266	265	6,256	6,254
Iowa	43,569	48,760	267	266	11,615	12,978
Minnesota	10,859	11,038	270	270	2,927	2,985
Ohio	27,938	28,026	263	268	7,355	7,506
Pennsylvania	23,893	23,785	276	278	6,585	6,608
United States	341,956	343,501	261	262	89,091	89,960

1/Annual estimates cover the period Dec. 1, previous year thru Nov. 30.

2/Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.

Source: USDA, NASS, Wisconsin Field Office.